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Local and General.

A. W. Hunter, now of Armstrong B. C., is visiting relatives and old friends here.

The Ayrshire cattle sold well at the auction sale held at the Agricultural grounds Tuesday.

E. K. Strathy has returned from Prince Rupert for a stay of a few weeks with his family here.

Miss Travor, who has spent the past three months in the east, returned to Lacombe Saturday last.

Mrs. P. Slaughter left Saturday for British Columbia, where she will spend several weeks with her husband.

The famous Tom Marks, with a first class company, will be at Day's opera house, Lacombe, December 17, 18 and 19.

The Lacombe hockey boys are rapidly getting into form for the season's games. Arrangements are under way for a game on Christmas day.

The Young Men's Club is arranging for a skating carnival at the rink on December 15. The usual prizes are offered for races and costumes, and refreshments will be on sale during the evening.

Among the Christmas decorations of Lacombe, that in the show windows of the W. E. Lord Co. is particularly meritorious. It is enough to make one hungry for all the good things of the festive season just to look at it.

On Monday, at the school house the members of Lacombe's champion basket ball team were presented with handsome souvenir gold rings. Each ring is engraved with the initials of the recipient, the words "Strathcona 1908," and "L. E. B." The members of the champion team are May Talbot, Isabel Simpson, Pearl Frizzell, Etta Cameron, Dora Talbot, Elsie Browne, Jessie Glass and Carrie Glass. The presentation was made by Miss Best, and Dr. Simpson was master of ceremonies.

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Potatoes.—Early varieties, Rochester Rose, and Irish Cobbler. Medium to late varieties, Carman No. 1, Money Maker, Gold Coin and Dooley. The later varieties are as a rule more productive than the earlier kinds.

Only one sample can be sent to each applicant, hence if an individual receives a sample of oats he cannot also receive one of wheat, barley, peas, Indian corn or potatoes. Lists of names from one individual, or applications for more than one sample for one household cannot be entertained. The samples will be sent free of charge through the mail.

Applications should be addressed to the Director of Experimental Farms, Ottawa, and may be sent in any time from the 1st of December to the 15th of February, after which the lists will be closed, so that the samples asked for may be sent out in good time for sowing. Applicants should mention the variety they prefer, with a seed sort as an alternative. Applications will be filled in the order in which they are received, so long as the supply of seed lasts. Farmers are advised to apply early to avoid possible disappointment. Those applying for Indian corn or potatoes should bear in mind that the corn is not usually distributed until April, and that potatoes cannot be mailed un-

til danger from frost in transit is over. No postage is required on mail matter addressed to the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa. —Wm. Saunders, Director of Experimental Farms.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING.

Council met in regular session Tuesday evening. Present: Mayor Trimble, Councillors Vickerson, Murphy, McDermid, Kent and Hotson. Minutes of last regular session read and approved.

A communication was read from the Stratford Bridge Co., soliciting an order for an improved sidewalk snow plow.

A number of communications were read from financial firms re debentures, short time loans, etc. Resignation of L. B. Browne, as councillor was read, and a motion was carried that resignation be accepted, to take effect when successor is elected.

Report was read from Engineer Neville re gravelling of Barnett avenue and bills presented for engineering work in connection with same.

A communication was read from Fernie Fire Relief Committee, thanking Lacombe for financial assistance at time of the great Fernie fire.

Constable Miller reported that a police headquarters building about 10 by 14 feet could be erected adjoining the Town Hall at a cost of about \$125. The matter was left in the hands of the committee.

Mayor Trimble's bylaw to repeal the bylaw prohibiting voting by people who have not paid their taxes, came up for the third reading, and evoked considerable discussion.

Councillor Vickerson opposed the repeal of the bylaw. He considered it a business proposition. If a man does not pay his taxes he has no right to vote. The bylaw does not disfranchise the man; he disfranchises himself by failure to pay his taxes.

Councillor Murphy took the same view. He considered the existing bylaw a good one and thought it would be a serious financial mistake to repeal it.

Hotson thought every man ought to be allowed to vote anyway whether he paid his taxes or not—somebody would have to pay the taxes someday anyway, so the town couldn't lose the money.

Councillor McDermid took practically the same view of it.

His Worship did not consider the question could be connected in any way with anything resembling a business proposition, and did not believe the existing bylaw furnished any incentive to payment of taxes.

On being put to vote, Trimble, Hotson, McDermid and Kent voted for repeal, Vickerson and Murphy against repeal.

Councillor Murphy suggested that the fact that people do not now need to pay their taxes be advertised. His Worship thought it would be advertised all right without incurring expense.

Councillor McDermid inquired what had been done re enforcing bylaw requiring removal of snow from sidewalks. Constable Miller replied that he had notified property owners that snow must be removed.

Councillor Kent inquired if Agricultural Society had settled pump purchased from the town. The Secretary replied that the account had been paid.

Notice was given of a bylaw to appoint returning officer and deputy for by-election to fill vacancy on council occasioned by resignation of Councillor Browne.

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FALSE PRETENCES.

No Marine Department Prosecutions—Patronage Lists May Be Cancelled, But Patronage Goes On as Before.—Official Duplicity—Advising Economy by Letter and Authorizing Extravagance by Telephone; Heading off Inquiry into Campaign Contributions.—Fielding Goes a Borrowing.

Ottawa, Nov. 21.—Two weeks ago the minister of marine made two announcements to prove that his department retained rudiments of conscience notwithstanding the declaration of the Royal Commission to the contrary. Mr. Brodeur informed the country, which had been startled with the fresh revelations from Quebec that all officials who took commissions, and all the contractors who paid them, would be prosecuted. He also was quoted as saying that the patronage list would be abolished. This pledge of virtue was distributed by government organs with high editorial praise.

No Change.

But nothing has happened. No official or contractor has been arrested, and no one seems to be alarmed. The very contractors who were to be prosecuted are still supplying goods at highly profitable monopoly prices to other departments, and even to the Department of marine. It may be that sometime in the future a few subordinates, who have no party pull, will be punished, but no peril awaits the principle officials who have been appointed by this government and are implicated. As for the large contractors concerned, most of them are important members of the government party. They will not only escape prosecution, but are almost sure to retain patronage and continue their contributions to the campaign fund. They are fresh from labor and contributions in the party interest in the recent fight. Mr. Brodeur has not spurned their campaign offerings.

The Patronage List.

It is true that Mr. Brodeur has written a letter to his deputy, directing him to instruct the agents "to disregard the patronage list." But this published document gave no instructions to purchase supplies in the open market to the best advantage, and no hint as to the course to be pursued. Evidently then private instructions have been sent out. Though this letter was written nearly three weeks ago, no general calls for tenders have appeared since, and so far as can be learned no purchases have been made from dealers who are not supporters of the government. In short, if the old patronage list has been cancelled, it has been replaced by a new one. When the accounts are seen it will be found that the purchases are made from the same favoured persons. There is now a purchasing agent at Ottawa for the Department. He has been at work

since last spring. He was appointed on account of the Royal Commission exposures, but has gone on buying from dealers on the patronage list just the same as the party did before it employed him. So far as the department has gone, since it was convicted of lack of conscience, it has continued to justify the verdict, adding the additional offence of false pretence and hypocrisy.

An Example of Duplicity.

Two incidents in the Quebec inquiry are worthy of record. One occurred in connection with agent Gregory's evidence. Mr. Gregory testified that he frequently reported to Ottawa that the patronage system increased the price of supplies. He swore that he has nevertheless, been compelled by orders from Ottawa to continue it. To offset this, counsel for the government showed the agent a letter to him from the deputy minister, objecting to prices paid and finding fault with the general scale of extravagance prevailing at Quebec. Mr. Gregory admitted receiving this letter, but swore that he had received at the same time instruction by telephone from his superior at Ottawa to pay no attention to the official censure, but to go on satisfying friends of the government who had goods to sell. The department had explained to Mr. Gregory by telephone that the letter was written to show, but not to be obeyed.

Public and Private Instructions.

This startling statement was confirmed by Senator Choquette, former judge, and lately chief government organizer of the Quebec district. The Senator produced a letter from Ottawa to Mr. Gregory which gave the same private instructions in favor of extravagance as Gregory had received by telephone. This letter was handed by Senator Choquette to Judge Cassels, who read it, but did not place it on the record as it contained other private matter. With this evidence of charming duplicity the public can understand the value of official correspondence touching matters of patronage. No one knows how many of the published official letters advising economy are contradicted by telephone messages and private notes from the same writers authorizing extravagance.

Graft and Campaign Contributions

Another episode in the Quebec inquiry occurred at the residence of E. Audibert, bookkeeper of Mr. Drolet, a contractor who has received several hundreds of thousands from the government. It was shown that the Drolet firm had given commissions or presents to twenty-eight officers and employees of the marine department at Quebec. The commission went quite fully into this matter. But it was also generally understood that Mr. Drolet had made much larger payments in another direction which was still more useful in procuring and retaining government patronage. Counsel for one of the officers questioned bookkeeper Audibert on this matter, asking whether the firm had not made "large campaign contributions."

This Enquiry Buried.

Here the inquiry was abruptly headed off. Objection was raised at once. It did not come from Mr. Drolet or his representative,

it came from Mr. Perron, who was there as counsel for the government itself, and who in place of assisting the inquiry at the very point where it would be most effective, interposed his authority to choke it off. Mr. Perron's objection was sustained, and the inquiry went no further in that direction. It is well to remember that the late Mr. Prefontaine was minister of marine when some of these subscriptions were made, and that Mr. Perron was his law partner at the time. Probably Mr. Perron knew how much had been contributed.

This Should Be Told.

What could be more pertinent in an investigation of marine department graft than the question whether the favored contractors were paying in campaign subscriptions for their special profits? No question in the whole inquiry at Quebec was more interesting to the public than this one, put to the representative of the firm which had received the greatest favours from the government, and whose alleged excessive charges was one element in the extravagant over expenditure of the government. If a firm making perhaps \$100,000 profits out of the people has corrupted local officials of the government by commissions of \$25 to \$2,000 each, that is a matter requiring investigation. But if this and other firms had a corrupt arrangement with the government itself, and paid into the campaign fund \$10,000 or \$25,000 or \$50,000 that is for each election, a still more vital matter. This is so not only because the amount is larger, but because the corrupt transaction is with the leaders of the party itself, and not with comparatively insignificant officials. There is evidence of guilt in the eagerness with which a government counsel, professing to prosecute an inquiry, throws himself into the breach to head off necessary and essential investigation into the conduct of his own leaders and employers.

A Narrow Escape.

Another Liberal provincial administration is in great danger. The Hazard government of Prince Edward Island should have gone to the country early this year, but postponed the election till after the Dominion contest. Only the success of the Laurier Government saved its provincial allies, and even with this advantage the success is doubtful. Returns show 16 Liberals to 14 Conservatives with one minister defeated, a great change from the last House with 21 Liberals and 9 Conservatives. With the Conservatives in control of provincial administrations of Ontario, Manitoba, British Columbia and New Brunswick, giving greatly improved administration compared with the machine governments which have been turned out, it is a pity that people of Prince Edward Island had not been allowed to settle this question without federal interference. In that province voting is open, and no federal employee or elector under federal influence can give an independent vote. Hence, two seats in Charlottetown, where there is a large railway vote, were allowed to go to the government without opposition.

The Session Delayed.

Three years ago it was decided that Parliament should meet there-

after in October or the beginning of November. To make this possible the fiscal year was closed in March instead of June. In 1906 Parliament met, November 22. In 1907 it was not called until the end of November. Now we are informed that the next session will begin about the 20th of January. So the country is back where it was before the fiscal year was changed. It is no excuse that an election has been held. The election might have taken place a month or two earlier, or after the next session. In any case it is not necessary to postpone the meeting of Parliament three months after an election. The last time the late Conservative government summoned parliament for the session following an election was in 1891. The election was held in March and the House met in April.

Everything Behindhand.

But nothing is ready. The public accounts of the year which closed eight months ago are not yet issued. In fact none of the blue-books of the year are out, though the late government in November and December gave out reports of the years closing at the end of June.

Nor is any government legislation ready. The Insurance bill, which was supposed to follow the inquiry of 1906 was not even introduced in the following session. After waiting another year the government brought down a crude sort of measure which was kept before the House and the committee for months, and then dropped. It is understood that a new bill will be introduced next session, and that it is not yet prepared. Only two other measures are yet mentioned. One is to create a new department for Mr. Mackenzie King, and add another to the list of portfolios already too large. The second is to abridge the freedom of debate and enable the government to force a measure through the House with a limited amount of discussion. No great statesmanship is involved in these measures, but it is the way that Sir Wilfrid is finishing his work.

More Money Wanted.

Meanwhile Mr. Fielding is off for London. Anyone who watches public expenditure knows his errand. He is trying to borrow

more more money. Old obligations are falling due and new ones are incurred with frightful rapidity. A few weeks ago the government offered in London a loan of \$25,000,000, but the investors did not take it readily, and the bonds remained with the underwriters. This time it is necessary for Mr. Fielding to take up the matter seriously, as the banks

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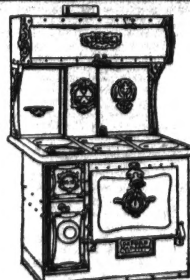
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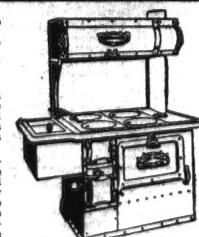
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Victoria, B. C., Nov. 15.—Mrs. Alfred Taylor laid information against her husband for threatening her and her children. Giving evidence before Magistrate Jay, she said she had lived with the prisoner since childhood, believing the prisoner to be her father. About the age of sixteen, however, she discovered she was illegitimate, and about that age the prisoner seduced her and on two occasions illegal operations were performed on her. Ten years ago at the age of 30, she had a child. Nobody was present but the prisoner and he killed the babe and destroyed the remains in a stove, or so he told her later. She was forced, under threats of death to never divulge this. She several times attempted escape, but he threatened her with a gun.

In December 1900, he induced her to marry him, and since then the cruelties were multiplied. The climax was reached last Monday, when he was prevented committing murder by Benjamin Eaves, who lodged with the couple, and the police were notified, although the wife was kept a prisoner in the house.

At this point the magistrate adjourned the case until Tuesday, refusing bail. He remarked that the evidence pointed to a very serious crime. He communicated with the attorney general's department, and prosecution is certain.

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North Yakima, Nov. 15.—Whiskey jelly made its appearance in North Yakima yesterday, being recommended by a representative of a Kentucky distillery as a pain-killer for local option laws. The "drinking drink" comes in the form of tablets or of stick candy and can be chewed or dissolved in water, its effects being sufficiently like the "real stuff" to convince of its power. The solidified drink is said to be popular in the south, and the rumor of local option laws soon to go into effect in Washington, led the manufacturers to fancy that there is a field for it here.

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Government Quay Goes the Way of the Quebec Bridge.

Sorel, Que., Nov. 17.—This morning at 4 o'clock a section of the government quays at the mouth of the Richelieu river collapsed and fell into the water. No boats or persons in the vicinity at the time were hurt. The collapsed section is close to the portion that gave way some time ago. The loss is between \$125,000 and \$150,000.

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Anchor at Taber Killed by Horse.

Taber, Alberta, Nov. 16.—News has arrived from Bow Island that while riding on the front of his wagon without a wagon box the ranch became unbalanced and the front bolster tilting forward, threw W. J. Schmitt onto the horses' heads. One of the horses kicking, inflicted fatal injuries, the man dying a few minutes later. His son who was also on the wagon, picked him up.

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The Christmas Book and Gun.

Full of good things is the December (Christmas Number) of "Red and Green and Motor Sports in Canada," published by W. J. Taylor, at Woodstock, Ont. A specially written and finely illustrated account of the trip taken in the woods by the Premier and Surver-General of New Brunswick, as the invitation of the organized guides of the Province, opens an exceptionally good number, the high standard of which is maintained throughout. Sportsmen of all classes may be recommended to the well written and informative article on the Importance of Taxidermy. Ancient Indian costume is a fine reminder of the difficulties the Indians experienced in the matter of obtaining a living before the advent of the white man to the North American Continent. Physical Culture at Home is the first of a series of articles by an expert on a subject which cannot fail to interest all sportsmen. In the Spirit of the North will be found some fine verses, every line appealing with strong force to every lover of the wild but attractive north country. These are but samples of the many good things dealing with every phase of sport in Canada, to be found between the covers of a number surpassing in both quantity and quality the best yet given by this leading Canadian magazine. The illustrations are specially notable and attractive in this fine Christmas issue.

Women Duel to the Death.

Gainesville, Mo., Nov. 23.—A duel to death was fought with knives yesterday by Mrs. James Crabtree and Mrs. Frank Graham, sisters-in-law, in a lonely spot in Ozark Woods southwest of Gainesville. Mrs. Graham's throat was cut, killing her instantly. Mrs. Crabtree was cut about the face and shoulders but her condition is not serious. She was arrested and is being held on a charge of murder. The women quarrelled over family matters.

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Estrey.

1 red steer, yearling, no visible brand, has been running with my bunch since about 10th of July.

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Strayed.

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LACOMBE, ALBERTA

Local and General.

Mavor Trimble has called the annual town meeting for Saturday night, December 5, in the town hall.

From the standpoint of the best interests of the town, the 1908 council took another long step backward in repealing the bylaw prohibiting voting by people who do not pay their taxes. The repeal of this important bylaw removes one of the strongest incentives to prompt payment of taxes and practically invites the laggards to leave their taxes unpaid.

The Stutz Theatre Co. played "Was She to Blame" to a good house. The play was fully up to its advertised merits and was well staged by this first class company. On Friday night "Kings Evidence" will be played. On Saturday afternoon "Ole Olon" will be put on for the matinee, and Saturday night the company will play "Bells of Shandon."

Miss Malcolm, who has been chief operator of the long distance telephone line at Red Deer for three years has been appointed chief operator at the Lacombe branch where the most of the switching on the C. & E. line is done. Miss Malcolm has been very kindly and expert in her work and her many friends will be sorry to lose her. Mr. Everett Martin, formerly of Red Deer, is the new telephone agent at Lacombe.—Red Deer Advocate.

Bailey Will Be Christmas Headquarters.

In a few days I will add to my already large stock, the following articles: Table and couch covers, tapestry and chenille curtains, small trunks, tables, chairs, secretaries, rocking horses, doll carriages, numerous kinds of games. All of the above mentioned goods are useful presents and will be sold at a small profit.—BAILEY.

Marriages.

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McGill, Pleasant Valley, on Wednesday, November 25, by Rev. A. S. Tod, B. D., John Scovil Martin of Crossfield and Florence May McGill. The happy couple left on the evening train for Crossfield, where they will reside.

At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Benjamin, Wittenburg, on Sunday, November 29, by Rev. Shoppe, William Brown and Mrs. Ada A. Kind. At 8 o'clock in the evening a bountiful wedding supper was served to the invited friends, all uniting in congratulations and best wishes to the newly married couple.

Our Provincial Arms

As a Christmas remembrance to a friend at a distance nothing could be more appropriate than a BROOCH, HAT PIN, TIE HOLDER, SOUVENIR SPOON or other useful gift, effectively enamelled, with the Arms of our Province of Alberta.

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Blindman River Railway.
Owing to a multiplicity of other important meetings for Saturday December 5th, it has been deemed advisable to postpone the Blindman River Railway meeting, at Bentley, to Saturday December 12.

Blackfrids.

Two of our local simrods, Messrs. Carter and Blythman, succeed in bringing down each for himself a mighty deer. Mr. Blythman secured his near the junction of the Blindman and Red Deer, while Mr. Carter, after many miles of travel, brought his down in the woods near Gull Lake.

This district is rapidly reverting to the dark ages. We have had in our midst for some months a minstrel, or troubadour, who like his ancient confreres goes about from house to house reciting verses, partly of his own composition. Kipling's Absent Minded Beggar is not in it with our man. You would know at sight that he is a poet. He wears no hair of his own, but that is not his fault. The Lord seldom favors men with both hair and brains. Our friend has the latter in abundance and regales his friends and foes with snatches from The Signation Club. So excellent is the rhythm that the chairman of the school board thought it sufficient of a classic to be taught in the school and thus be handed down by tradition to future generations after the fashion of the ancients and aborigines. Unfortunately for his poetic taste and judgement he has seen fit to land one faction up to the skies and hold the poor Englishmen up to ridicule. For this our cleric poet be rudely brought to task some day when he is in one of his poetic flights and the world may lose a literary masterpiece. Encourage genius. When on his priestly visitations, ask him for some of his gems if you have not already seen or heard them. When your reporter's memory is sufficiently trained to retain one of these complete effusions he may send you a copy for publication.

The new school room is proving to be a refrigerator. If something is not done to remedy things, there will be kids in cold storage for next summer's use.

Our creamery stands high in the Provincial list. It has been economically managed and will pay a fair dividend to the stock holders.

Communication.

We were always of the opinion that in the matter of obtaining freer trade relations in our live stock with the United States, Mr. Geo. F. Root was correct. He, along with some two or three others exploited that market and found that the only real difficulty was the 29 per cent duty imposed on our cattle going into the United States. Subsequently that position has been materially strengthened by what has happened recently. The United States Congress have appointed a select committee to look after tariff conditions with outside countries with a view to revising their tariff which is to be considered early in March under the new president elect. Taft, and three of these congressmen are now in Canada. What they want especially from Canada and in which they are open for reciprocity is wood, wood pulp and paper.

When asked by the Toronto News would they discuss the tariff they said: "We are not authorized of course to make any arrangements, for that of course would come only through diplomatic conference but the tariff will undoubtedly be discussed in our report. Mutual concessions and reduction of tariff is sure. Congress in revising will undoubtedly make a reduction pretty well along these lines said the congressman, we are ready for a special tariff with Canada for we want closer trade relations." Now here is the opportunity for men come over here to spy out their tariff conditions of interest to their people why not our people do the same in their country. Now in the earlier history of Alberta Live Stock

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Growers' Association this was part of their propaganda, and there was a marketing extension committee. Latterly this appears as far as visible to be cut out, as confirmed by the recent meeting at Red Deer, which is a mystery to a number of its members. Why is this? It does not necessarily minimize the importance of the chilled meat scheme. Let this go on. But while the latter is likely to be slow, this, if successful of obtaining the freedom of the American markets on favorable conditions would mean thousands to the farmers and ranchers.

J. J. G.

Annual Meeting of the Lacombe Agricultural Society.

The annual meeting of the Lacombe Agricultural Society will be held in Mobley's hall on Saturday, December 5th, at 2:30 p. m. As this has been a year of much business and large expenditure it is requested that all members be present at the annual meeting.

N. E. CARRUTHERS,
Secy.-Treas.

Obituary.

Raymond Otis Henry, son of Albert A. and Dorothy Henry was born near Lenox Iowa, November 6, 1886. He moved with his parents to Lacombe, Canada the spring of 1901, where he has since resided. He was married June 5th, 1907 to Miss Anna Mackenzie. He died November 28, 1908 after an illness of several weeks leaving a wife and 7 month old son also father, mother, six sisters and one brother and many other relatives and friends to mourn his death.

The remains were laid to rest in Lacombe cemetery on November 28th, the funeral being one of the most largely attended ever held in Lacombe.

Hospital Fund.

Lacombe, Dec. 3.

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